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REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

For the Year ending December 31st, 1925.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Llanfrechfa Upper
Urban District Council.*

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report for the year ending December 31st, 1925, as directed by the Ministry of Health.

General Statistics.

Area (acres)	...	...	1787
Population	...	...	4900
No. of inhabited houses	...	...	974
No. of families	...	...	1092
Rateable Value	...	£20,414 7s. 5d.	
Sum represented by penny rate			£68

Physical Features.

The district is situated in the Afon Llwyd Valley and is bounded on the north by the Panteg Urban District, on the south by the Llantarnam Urban District, on the east by the Pontypool Rural District and on the west by the Abercarn Urban District.

Geographically, the western side of the district is on the eastern outcrop of the South Wales Coalfield and the underlying millstone grit and carboniferous limestone, the remainder of the district being on the old red sandstone.

The chief tributary of the Afon Llwyd River, which is on the eastern border of the district, is the Upper Cwmbran Brook. The district is also traversed by the Monmouthshire Canal.

Vital Statistics.

	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	
BIRTHS—Males	8	15	17	8	48
Females	8	12	13	13	46
	—	—	—	—	—
	16	27	30	21	94

Births 94, Population 4,900 = 19·1 per 1,000.

Illegitimate, one male.

Deaths in the district—

	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	
Males ...	8	5	10	5	28
Females ..	7	2	8	8	25
	—	—	—	—	—
	15	7	18	13	53

Deaths outside the district—

	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	
Males ...	0	2	3	0	5
Females ..	0	0	2	0	2
	—	—	—	—	—
	0	2	5	0	7

Deaths in the district ... 53 = 10·8 per 1,000

Deaths outside ... 7 = 1·4 per 1,000

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Death Rate, 1920, 10·5 ; 1921, 10·04 ; 1922, 13. ; 1923, 9·4 ; 1924, no data.

Ages at Death in the district.

	Under 1 year.	1 to 10.	10 to 20	20 to 40	40 to 60	Over 60	
Males	5	3	0	2	2	16	28
Females	6	2	0	2	3	12	25
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	11	5	0	4	5	28	53

Ages at death outside the district.

	Under 1 year.	Under 20 years.	56 to 81 years.	
Males	...	2	...	5
Females	...	1	...	2
	—	—	—	—
	3	1	3	7

Infant Mortality.

Equals 148 per 1,000 of births (94).

Causes of Death.

Bronchitis, eight ; pneumonia, three ; nephritis, four ; convulsions, six ; epilepsy, one ; peritonitis, one ; measles, one ; cardiac, seven ; gastritis, three ; cancer, five ; accidental, two ; acute diarrhœa, one ; hæmiplegia, three ; tuberculosis, two ; influenza, one ; tonsilitis, one ; senile decay, three ; uncertificated, one.

Outside the area—bronchitis, one ; bronco-pneumonia, one ; tuberculosis, one ; gastric ulcer, one ; pemphygus, one ; encephalitis, one ; premature birth, one.

Infectious Diseases (Notified).

	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	
Diphtheria	...	13	1	1	...
Tuberculosis pulmonary	2	3	1	2	...
Ditto non-pulmonary	1	1	1	0	...
Scarlet fever	...	2	1	1	...
Paratyphoid	..	0	1	0	...
Pneumonia	...	0	0	1	...
Erysipelas	...	—	—	—	...
				2	...
				—	...
				Total	..
					35

Infectious cases = 35 = 7.1 per 1,000.

The cases of diphtheria were mostly contact cases from outside the district.

Summary of Nursing Arrangements, Hospitals and other Institutions available for the District.

Professional nursing in the home—nil.

Midwives, two, under control of the County Council.

Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic—once a week, under control of the County Council.

School Clinics are in charge of the County Council.

There are no day nurseries.

Infectious diseases can be removed to hospital through the County Medical Officer of Health. Tuberculosis patients are sent to the King Edward VII. Memorial Centres at Newport and Pontypool.

Venereal diseases are treated at the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport.

There is no provision for unmarried mothers, illegitimate children, or homeless children in the district; these cases are generally looked after by the Guardians of the district.

There are two general hospitals outside the area but available for patients of this district.

There is a motor ambulance at the Colliery for accidents. The infectious cases are removed by the Infectious Hospital Staff.

The Social Aspect.

The Miners' Welfare Fund has founded tennis courts and bowling green, there are also tennis courts for other players. Two or three football clubs are at play each winter. A cricket team plays in the summer.

A large hall is available for meetings and concerts. There is one cinema and a golf club.

General Summary.

The health of the district has been very good for the past year, with the exception of the short epidemic of diphtheria, which was also troublesome to neighbouring areas.

The death rate, although not high, is greater than in 1923, the figures then being 9·4 per 1'000.

Your obedient Servant,

ALFRED W. HAYLES.

Llanfrechfa Upper Urban District Council.

Sanitary Inspector's Report.

For the year ended 31st December, 1925.

Council Offices, Pontnewydd,

February, 1926.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Llanfrechfa Upper
Urban District Council.*

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report for the year ending
December 31st, 1925.

Sanitary Administration.

Tabular summary of the work performed in the
Sanitary Department during the year and the action taken
under the Public Health Acts or Bye-laws.

Summary of Inspections.—

No. of premises inspected and recorded	...	80
„ choked drains cleared	... ..	6
„ new w.c. pans fixed	... ..	2
„ defective w.c. flushing cisterns repaired	...	27
„ new w.c. flushing cisterns	... ..	11
„ w.c.'s repaired	... ..	4
„ accumulations removed	... ..	2
„ houses disinfected	... ..	6
„ nuisances arising from keeping animals	...	—
„ other nuisances abated	... ..	7

Factories and Workshops.

Factories on Register	...	6
Workshops „	... ..	14
No. of Factory Inspections	...	12
No. of Workshops Inspections	...	30

Slaughterhouses.

Meat Inspections is undertaken by the Sanitary Inspector.

Slaughterhouses licensed	...	...	2
No. of Inspections of slaughterhouses	...	...	70
No. of Foodstuffs condemned	...	...	3

Milk and Dairies.

Number of wholesale purveyors of milk	...	...	8
Number of wholesale purveyors of milk outside the Urban Area selling milk in the District	...	...	3
Number of retail purveyors of milk	...	...	14
Number of retail purveyors of milk outside the Urban Area selling milk in the District	...	...	4
Number of Inspections	...	...	28

Housing.

Houses are still very scarce and more are badly wanted.

Number of new houses erected during the year	—
(a) Total	...
(b) As part of Municipal Housing Scheme	—

1. Unfit Dwelling Houses.

Inspection 1.—Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	22
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2.—Number of dwelling houses which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Inspection of District) Regulations, 1910	16
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3.—Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	—
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4.—Number of dwelling houses exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	4
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2. *Remedy of defects without service of formal notices.*

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	3
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3. *Action under Statutory Powers.*

A—Proceedings under Section 28 of the Housing Town Planning, etc., Act, 1919.

(1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served, requiring repairs	...	—
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(2) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit :

(a) By owners	—
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(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	...	—
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(3) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which closing orders became operative in pursuance of declarations by owners of intention to close	...	—
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B—Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

(1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied :	3
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(2) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied

(a) By owners	3
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(b) By Local Authority in default of owners..	—
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C—Proceedings under Sections 17 and 18 of the Housing and Town Planning Act, 1909.

(1) Number of representations made with a view to the making of closing orders	...	—
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(2) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which closing orders were made ... —

(3) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which closing orders were determined, the dwelling houses having been rendered fit ... —

(4) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made .. —

(5) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders ... —

Public Health Staff.

Public Health Officers of the Council:—Medical Officer of Health (part-time Officer) and Sanitary Inspector, who is also Surveyor and Waterworks Manager. The Inspector has been engaged for the past 2½ years upon works of road improvements, carried out by direct labour, in relief of unemployment.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

W. J. MEAZEY.





